

DAILY DEMOCRAT-FORUM

LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY DAILY PAPER IN ANY MISSOURI TOWN OF 5000 POPULATION

VOLUME 5.

MARYVILLE, MISSOURI, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23, 1914.

NO. 174.

VACATION BEGINS

NORMAL AND BUSINESS COLLEGE CLOSES TODAY.

NEARLY ALL TO HOMES

Outgoing Trains Carry Away Several Hundred—City Schools Close Tomorrow—Re-Open January 4.

The annual Christmas school vacation is here, and with it the eager rush of away-from-home students to get back to "pa" and "ma" for the Yuletide season's cheer and feasting. The Normal school, with its 250 students, many of them living out of town; St. Patrick's parochial school, and the Maryville Business college will be closed at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The Normal vacation will continue for twelve days, or until Tuesday morning, January 5. The business school and Catholic institution will re-open a day earlier.

All public grade and high schools in Maryville will be closed for the Christmas holiday tomorrow afternoon and will not re-open until Monday morning, January 4. Most of the rural and town schools over Nodaway county likewise will be closed for the holidays tomorrow afternoon, to re-open the first Monday of next year.

County Schools Close Tomorrow. Some of the rural schools of the county, however, were closed for the Christmas season last Friday, December 18, but they will re-open December 28 in some instances instead of a week later.

Nearly all schools are prefacing the vacation period with exercises in observance of the Yuletide. A reception to the present Normal students and alumni was given at the Normal last night by the faculty. A short musical entertainment and refreshments followed. This was the only Christmas social held at the Normal.

The schools which close tomorrow also will observe the holiday with exercises of music, speaking and plays, and the distribution of Christmas candies, nuts and small gifts in some of the primary grades.

Some Students Come Here. While more students will leave Maryville as a result of the Yuletide vacation, there are several dozen students who have arrived within the last few days or will arrive this week to spend the holidays. They have been attending the University of Missouri and other higher schools in this and other states.

Most of these home-coming students will remain until after the first of the year, their schools not beginning before January 4 in any instance.

The ingress and egress of persons who will spend Christmas either at home or away from home also has begun on the railroads and each incoming train brings a small quota of the holiday visitors to Maryville. But the outgoing trains today are carrying more passengers who are bent on spending Christmas elsewhere. The majority of the incoming Christmas visitors will not arrive until tomorrow afternoon, it is expected.

WATER HEAD MAKES CHANGE.

City Patrons Must Pay Bills at City Hall Hereafter.

Effective at once, J. H. Martin, superintendent of the municipal water plant, has ordered that all water bills be paid at the city hall, instead of patrons waiting the call of the collector. It is especially desired at this time that all water service charge be paid up by January 1, that the accounts of that municipal department may be straightened and the new year started with a clean slate.

The practice of collecting at the city hall perhaps will be maintained hereafter.

Here From Topeka.

Mrs. Arthur Nussbaum of Topeka, Kan arrived in Maryville yesterday to visit Mr. Nussbaum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Nussbaum.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Holt and their daughter left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Don't lose your last chance
SEE OUR WINDOWS
DeHart and Holmes

Christmas Eve Ball
Given in
W. O. W. Hall
Thursday Dec. 24
Admission 50c Ladies Free
By Social Committee

225 ACRES COST \$34,100

A. O. Mason Sells Nodaway Farm for Double Price Paid Five Years Ago.

Between five and six years ago A. O. Mason of this city bought a 150-acre farm six miles north of Maryville for \$55 and \$60 an acre. Yesterday he sold it for \$125 an acre, or a total of \$18,750, thereby getting more than double of the same land a few years ago. It was sold to L. M. Hays and J. R. Lays of Andrew county, who will take possession March 1, 1915.

Along with Mason's sale of the Polk township farm, a 120-acre farm in the northeast part of Andrew county was sold to Mr. Mason by Hays brothers for \$21,000. One hundred acres of this farm is an apple orchard, the largest in Nodaway, Gentry, Worth or Andrew county, it is said. For this portion of the farm Mr. Mason paid \$175 an acre. He will take possession March 1, 1915, although he does not intend to occupy it. He will instead place a manager on the tract.

The orchard contains, in equal proportions, Ben Davis, Gano, Jonathan, Black Twig and Grimes Golden apple trees. The orchard yielded 9,000 bushels of apples last fall. William Everhart of this city now has 600 barrels of Black Twig apples from this orchard now stored in his storage rooms.

The orchard is well equipped and the trees are young. One of the best orchard spraying machines manufactured goes with the orchard.

Both sales were made by Allen Bros. of this city.

11,816 PAY INCOME TAX

Many Missourians Contribute to Federal Levy of \$656,514—Seven States Ahead.

There are 11,816 men and women in Missouri who made returns, up to June 30, 1914, to the commissioner of Internal revenue that they had an income exceeding \$2,500, therefore compelled to pay a federal income tax, according to State Commissioner of Labor John T. Fitzpatrick. They paid into the United States treasury \$656,514, of which \$543 was refunded, leaving \$656,514 to represent Missouri collections for the first year the act was in force.

There are 1,670 single men and 637 single women in the state who admitted that they have been spending money amounting to \$3,000 a year. There were 173 married women in the state who rendered separate returns that they had incomes exceeding \$4,000 a year. In all returns were made by 9,569 married men and women, including the 173 women rendering separate accounts.

Three persons in Missouri have a yearly income of \$500,000 and over. Out of nearly four million men, women and children who make up the population of this commonwealth, there are only 2,969 who confessed to having an income ranging from \$2,500 to \$3,333 during the ten months the first year the federal income measure covers.

As there are approximately 63,250 automobiles in Missouri it means that the majority of such luxuries are owned by men and women who manage to make ends meet on less than \$3,000 annually. There are more men and women in Missouri who have an income in twelve months, ranging from \$3,333 to \$5,000 and from \$5,000 to \$10,000, than there are those that yearly have from \$2,500 to \$3,333, there being 3,520 of the first class and 3,142 with from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year.

Missouri is only exceeded in income taxpayers by California, Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

MACHINISTS BEST PLAYERS.

Toggerly Bowlers Lose 2 of 3 Games—Diss Makes High Score of 185.

The Machinist bowling team won two out of three games from the Toggerly team last night. Fred Diss had high score of 185, and "Deb" Strong had high average of 155. The Empire team will play the Haines team tomorrow night. The scores:

Machinists—	
James Erby	117 160 183
Fred Diss	122 185 143
George Sillers	123 90 99
Total	362 435 425
Toggerly—	
Guy Henry	123 141 114
Deb Strong	157 153 154
James Greenley	150 90 99
Total	430 384 367
The standing:	
Empire	11 7
Haines	11 7
El Roi Tan	9 6
Machinists	9 12
Toggerly	5 13

Arrives in Maryville.

Miss Hildred Hanna a teacher in the public schools of Okmulgee, Okla., will come Thursday to spend the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hanna.

Mrs. T. M. Baugman of Camden Point, arrived in the city yesterday to spend several weeks with her daughter Mrs. Frank T. Hall and her family, living west of the city.

PUPILS ORGANIZE

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FORM "SOCIAL CENTER" CLUBS.

SHOW UNIVERSITY VIEWS

Nodaway County Club of U. of M. Boosts Institution—Alumni Athletes Fall in Basket Ball Game.

Show University Views.

Graham—Thursday afternoon, December 24, in school house, in connection with school entertainment.

Skidmore—Friday night, Dec. 25. Pickering—Monday afternoon, Dec. 28 (indefinite).

Hopkins—Monday night, Dec. 28.

Harmony church—Tuesday night, Dec. 29.

Burlington Junction—Wednesday night, Dec. 30.

A large crowd of high and grade school pupils and some adults witnessed the portrayal of the seventy-three stereopticon slides depicting student activities at the University of Missouri in the Washington school auditorium last night. It was the first of seven planned portrayals of these views over Nodaway county during the university Christmas holiday. The "boost" is in charge of the Nodaway County club of the university, composed of students there who live in this county.

Present Students Win.

The university views were shown following the organization of various "social center" clubs, composed of high school students, and preceding a basketball game between picked players of the high school now and high school alumni. It resulted in a close and interesting game, in which the present high school students won by a score of 13 to 10. The score was fairly even throughout.

The basketball lineup was: Alumni—Hawkins and Vandersloot, forwards; Seelman, center; Kane and Nicholas, guards. High school—Strader, Sawyers and Van Cleve, forwards; Scott, center; Hughes, Tilson and Farmer, guards. Vandersloot led the alumni with five points and Scott the high school with eight points.

The organization of the social center clubs is the result of a movement launched a few days ago by City Superintendent W. M. Westbrook and Principal E. R. Utter, in which it is planned to have meetings of these auxiliary social and educational clubs from time to time in the high school for further culture in music, drama, oratory and general instruction.

Organize Clubs.

The meetings last night resulted in a dramatic club being organized and the election of these officers: President, Kenneth Van Cleve; vice president, Edith Holt; chairman, program committee, Vijuene Colden. The formation of a "model senate"

resulted in these selections at the head: Presiding officer or vice president, Charles Massie; president pro tem, Joseph Farmer; clerk, Ruskin Hawkins; sergeant-at-arms, Merle Seelman; secretary of treasury, Harry Messick.

The glee club, already organized, will be one of the social center clubs. The Campfire girls also organized last night, but no officers are chosen in this auxiliary. Miss Helen Anne Wright, teacher, however, outlined a part of the plans of the girls' club. It is the intention to have each member adopt some Indian name, and each will select a costume, some of which have arrived.

The social center clubs will meet again at the high school Friday afternoon or night, January 8, to further organizations and make plans for future work in the branches.

BIBLE SCHOOL IN PROGRAM

To Give Entertainment at First Christian Church—Will Bring Gifts.

Under the direction of Mrs. F. P. Robinson the Bible school of the First Christian church will give an entertainment at the church tomorrow evening. After the program Santa Claus will make a visit and bring a treat for all. The gifts for the poor which the various classes of the school have planned to give will also be brought to the church at this time.

The following is the program: Opening hymn, "Tell Me the Story." Short address—Rev. Robert L. Finch. Processional "Onward Christian Soldiers," by children bringing "White Gifts for the King."

Recitations—George Miles and LaVerne Robey. Recitation—Charlotte Whelchel.

Doll song, as dolls are given as "White Gifts for the King." Devotions—Primary class.

Duet—Elwin Broyles and LaVerne Robey. Christmas greeting by nine children. Song—Mary Todd.

Reading, "The Beautiful Story"—Marie Davenport. Song, "We Love the Christmas Time"—Primary class.

Mandolin solo—Eva Beaman. Song—Kathryn Chandler. Exercise, "Shepherds and Sages."

Recitation—Ora Stockton. Solo—Sterril Bishop. Motion song—Primary class.

Solo—Lois Gilbert. Recitation—Maurice Strong. Song by the Christmas Fairies.

A Santa Claus visit and treat. The program begins promptly at 7:30 o'clock. All gifts brought are to be wrapped in white.

Robberies at Rosendale.

The postoffice and two stores at Rosendale were entered by burglars last night and about \$100 in money taken from the postoffice. A small amount of goods were taken from the stores.

Called by Sisters' Death.

A. M. and M. F. Hopper left today for Pueblo, Col. summoned there by the death of their sister, Mrs. T. J. Hurdle, who died yesterday afternoon.

XMASFOODGALORE

HOUSEWIVES FILL LARDERS FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER.

TURKEY IS 16 CENTS

Meats, Fruits, Vegetables and Candles for Yuletide Feast Go Rapidly in Maryville Stores Today.

The housewives of Maryville and vicinity have begun buying edibles for the Christmas dinner Friday, and as a result the grocery stores and meat markets today are swamped with customers. The trade in this line began picking up a little, the dealers say, yesterday, but it was not until today that it really began in earnest. As all stores will be closed Friday, and for fear of worse weather tomorrow, the country folk especially are laying in a supply of meats, vegetables, fruits, candies and nuts for the Christmas feast.

The prices are nearly the same as they were for the Thanksgiving dinner a month ago, it is found on investigation, though there are a few changes. Live turkeys, great big fat, ones are selling today at 16 to 17 cents a pound, the same as a month ago, while live chickens, considered "spring," are being taken away on payment of 11 cents a pound, or from 1 to 2 cents cheaper than last holiday.

Plenty of Fruits Offered.

Ducks and geese are going at about the same prices as the week previous to Thanksgiving, or from 12 to 15 cents a pound. Fresh oysters are being sold at 30 to 35 cents a pound, and "home grown" eggs at 30 cents a dozen, slightly more than a month ago. Butter from the country is retelling today at 30 and 32 cents a pound. Creamery products bring 35 cents a pound.

In the fruit line are oranges, fairly good, at 30 to 40 cents a dozen, apples of various varieties around \$1 per bushel, grape fruits 5 to 10 cents each, cranberries two quarts for 15 cents, and California grapes at 15 and 20 cents a pound.

There also are many varieties of vegetables on the market today. Celery, appropriate on all Christmas dinner tables, is being given away at 10 cents a bunch, while along with it are offered such ground "fruits" as Irish and sweet potatoes, cauliflower, cabbage, squash, pumpkins, olives and turnips.

Less Presents, More Food.

Nuts, both home grown and imported, likewise are being eagerly bought by the Maryville shoppers, along with the usual grocery supplies. Candies also take the first row in edible attractions and are being put up in seemingly several hundred ways and varieties.

Anyway, despite reports to the contrary, the folk of Nodaway county are not going to "skimp" this week in providing their Christmas table with the many edibles appropriate to the Yuletide season. They may buy a few less expensive gifts to send to some uncle, aunt or cousin, who thinks of them perhaps once or twice each year, but the family is going to feed well, indications are.

One farmer, who lives nine miles from Maryville, brought sixteen fine large turkeys into Maryville this morning to be slain for the Christmas dinner, while local produce buyers say the offering in poultry this week is unusually good. Live turkeys are being bought at 14 cents a pound, and chickens, geese and ducks at 8 and 9 cents. Country eggs are being bought for 27 cents.

Leave For California.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wertz, of Los Angeles, Cal., who have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Robinson, north of the city, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harrison, of Maryville, have returned to their homes.

HOW TO MAIL XMAS GIFTS

- * Prepay postage fully on all parcels.
- * Address parcels fully and plainly.
- * Place name and address on all matter.
- * Pack articles carefully and wrap them securely. Do not seal them, however, as sealed parcels are subject to postage at the letter rate.
- * Insure valuable parcels.
- * The insurance on parcels valued up to and including \$25 is 5 cents; over \$25 and up to and including \$50, the insurance fee is 10 cents.
- * Written inscriptions, such as "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With Best Wishes," and numbers, names or letters for purposes of description are permissible additions to fourth-class (parcel post) mail.

THOSE XMAS DECORATIONS

Dealers Offer Evergreens, Mistletoe, Holly, Magnolia Wreaths and Tinsel.

If any home in Maryville or vicinity is minus some decoration indicative of the Yuletide season, Friday, it will not be the fault of the local dealers in that line of equipment. For the stores show some mighty good things along this line, and at not prohibitive prices either.

Of course the Christmas tree to hang the tots' gifts on will come first in your consideration, so that shall be mentioned first. There are various sizes with prices accordingly. One store today quoted these prices: Evergreen trees, 3 to 4 feet high, 25 cents; 4 to 6 feet high, 35 cents, and 6 to 8 feet, 45 cents. They are unusually green this year and bear a good, trim appearance.

Mistletoe, that sentimental Yuletide parasitic plant, is here in profusion and is better than usual. It is being offered at one store today for 25 cents a pound, while its sister in appropriateness and much more handsome to look upon, goes for 5 cents less.

Then there are the holly wreaths at 25 cents each and the magnolia wreaths, really prettier, at 20 cents each. Tinsel in various forms and colors also is being eagerly bought for the Yuletide decoration along with colored candles and artificial paraphernalia for Christmas.

TO HOLD CONGREGATIONAL MEET.

Annual Business Meeting and Basket Dinner Will Be Held Sunday.

The First Christian church will hold its annual congregational meeting Sunday. At this time all business matters for the year will be discussed and the necessary affairs for the coming year looked after. At noon a basket dinner will be served, and during the afternoon a fellowship service will be held.

The meeting is the most important of the year in the church life.

GIVES NEARLY ALL TO WIFE.

Will of Walter H. Campbell, near Barnard, leaves \$1,500 to 3 Sons.

The will of Walter H. Campbell, farmer and business man, who died at his home six miles west of Barnard, December 16, was filed in probate court this morning. It names a son, Paul E. Campbell, executor, with an uncle, Lowell B. Campbell, as advisor. All of but \$1,500 of the Campbell estate to be equally divided between the three sons, is left to his wife, Callie L. Campbell. Her share consists of the 120 acre farm, personal property consisting of farm equipment, bank stock, notes, his interest in the Campbell Hardware Company of Barnard and \$2,000 life insurance. The latter is to be applied towards the payment of the husband's debts.

At her marriage or death all reverts to the three sons, Paul E. Campbell, James O. Campbell and David H. Campbell.

REMEMBER FREEZE OF '63"

Recent Cold "Snap" Recalls to "Old Timer's" Mind Other Weather.

The recent cold weather, in which the mercury went to 10 degrees below zero, recalls to the mind of some old-timers the awful cold "snap" which visited this part of Missouri in 1863. In discussing the freeze at St. Joseph a few days ago one of the pioneers had this to say:

"About January 1, 1863, was a cold day to be remembered throughout northern Missouri, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska. In December, 1862, the farmers and stockmen were trying to market their hogs in Chicago, but the shipments were not complete until about New Year's day, when the whole of the Hannibal & St. Joseph rolling stock was loaded with hogs for Chicago. That day and night of January 1, 1863, came an unprecedented cold snap, freezing all the hogs on the cars, until the road was full of the dead animals from St. Joseph to Hannibal.

"The cars were emptied by dumping the dead hogs along the tracks, but they were soon reloaded in other cars and train loads of them were brought to St. Joseph by Captain David Pinger and other packers and rendered in their steam tanks into lard oil and other lubricants, for which there was a good demand in many sections. It is said some of the packers realized large profits in this business, as the dead hogs cost them little."

Tarkio Couple Wed.

George W. Mathes, 22 years old, and Miss Inez V. Everest, 20 years old, both of Tarkio, were married by Probate Judge W. H. Conn this afternoon. They had previously gotten a license to marry in the office of the recorder of deeds.

Market Live Stock.

The following Nodaway county farmers marketed live stock in St. Joseph yesterday: Will N. Wray, D. D. Henderson, J. H. Murphy, M. C. Owens, G. H. Swaney, M. B. Sherlock, Joe Fagan, J. B. Nunneley, James Blagg, E. Crawford, E. N. Hagen and J. R. H. ble.

VALUE UP \$63,346

NODAWAY TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT \$892,590 THIS YEAR.

BURLINGTON LOTS BOOM

City Realty Values Increase \$32,485 Last Year—Also More Money, Notes and Bonds.

The assessment report of W. P. Nicholas, assessor of Nodaway township for this year, filed with County Clerk George W. Demott today, shows that the total city and country values of that district increased from \$829,241 to \$892,590 over last year. This increase of \$63,349 is due largely to increased valuations in Burlington Junction, the sole city.

The city realty values rose from \$143,820 to \$176,305, or \$32,485 within the year, while country real estate went from \$468,855 last year to \$466,920 this year, or a decrease of \$1,935.

Personal property valuations, however picked up within the year, the two reports show. Last year the assessment on all forms of personal property totaled \$216,566, compared to \$249,365 this year. The number of live stock in the township shows little change, however.

One puzzling thing about the various township reports that come in to the county office is that the number of acres within a given township should change from year to year. The Nodaway township report for last year shows that there were 28,641.76 acres there, while this year it had shrunk to 27,905.55 acres.

The report of 1913 and 1914 show:

Real estate—	
	1913. 1914.
Country	\$468,855 \$466,920
City	143,820 176,305
Total	\$612,675 \$643,225

Personal, 1914—	
	No. Value.
Horses	881 \$36,920
Asses and Jennets	3 260
Mules	184 9,070
Cattle	2,429 49,230
Sheep	82 85
Hogs	1,445 4,320
Other live stock	41 50
Money, notes, bonds	94,495
Banks	29,795
Other personal property	25,140

Total personal \$249,365
Grand total, 1914 \$892,590

Personal, 1913—	
	No. Value.
Horses	912 39,000
Asses and Jennets	4 285
Mules	160 9,780
Cattle	2,247 35,545
Sheep	221 220
Hogs	1,799 5,706
Other stock	17 35
Money, notes, bonds	66,145
Banks	29,141
Other personal property	30,710

Total personal \$216,566
Grand total, 1913 \$829,241

TURKS TO KILL ALLIES

Lives of Arabian Visitors Threatened—Germans Invade Angola, Fast Africa, Again.

London, Dec. 23.—The Turks threaten to slay all English and French people at Hodeida, in Arabia.

German troops again are invading Angola, in Portuguese East Africa.

Fred Hiles of near Burlington Junction had his right leg broken yesterday when a horse he was riding fell, precipitating him to the ground and partially beneath the animal.

THE WEATHER

Probably Rain or snow tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight.

Moon's

at the SER AS ROWLEY BAKER

At

DARK

2:30 and 7:30 P

R. P.

atre, Tonight
Will be given away to night at the Fern.
ree p.m. Shakespeare's Winter's River, five acts.

SOME OUTDOOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS



A TRACK MEET SCENE.



FORESTRY CLASS AT WORK.

Special Feature

Two Acts.....**John Bunny**
LORA FINCH IN "HEARTS AND DIAMONDS." FERN
IN "A WINTER'S TALE," Shakespeare.

Haines

MARYVILLE, MO.

THE BUSY STORE WITH LITTLE PRICES

The Last Call

Silk Hosiery and Handkerchiefs
Always Acceptable

THIS STORE CLOSED ALL DAY FRIDAY

Strict neutrality does not prevent our expressing sincere appreciation for the generous patronage of our customers while the passing war clouds of Europe throw a shadow over business conditions here. Better times are coming, but we do not want the year to pass without again saying

THANK YOU!

Orear-Henry Drug Company
The REXALL Store

Mozingo Valley Items.

L. W. Pistole delivered a car of hogs to Pickering Monday.

Mrs. James Lett spent Saturday in Pickering visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pistole spent Tuesday in Maryville on business.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lett and sons, Mrs. House, Miss Pearl Berry and Robert Liddell attended the box supper at Long Branch Saturday evening.

Curlfarms Return.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Curlfarms returned last night from a two weeks trip

through the south. They went in company with a party of lumber dealers and their wives, and the trip was made in a special car. Many of the big lumber camps of the south were visited.

To Visit at Creston.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Holmes and daughter of St. Joseph, who have been visiting Mr. Holmes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holmes, left yesterday for Creston, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Holmes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bean.

WILL HANAMO

Christmas Bells

Ring at Your House?



"Use Is
The Test"

It is Not Too Late To Order

A Hanamo Telephone

Gifts

APPRECIATED

CHRISTMAS

May the Dr. life, Sweet-
of Good Friend at
ness
may

3, 10 and 25c Store

ceived a large shipment of candies,
und. Don't fail to see our can-
Goe-ving your Xmas candies,
your comp-nuts.

Nodaway

EN EVENINGS
MARYVILLE

DRY AMENDMENT IS VOTED DOWN

Hobson Resolution For National Prohibition Fails.

SIXTY-ONE SHORT OF WINNING

Hobson Leads Off Debate In Favor of
Prohibition Plan—Underwood Says
He Cannot Commit Himself to
Scheme.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Hobson resolution to submit a constitutional amendment for national prohibition to the state legislatures was defeated in the house, 197 members voting for and 189 against it. An affirmative vote of two-thirds was required to adopt the resolution.

Partly lines were wiped out in the struggle. Democratic Leader Underwood and Republican Leader Mann fought shoulder to shoulder at the head of the forces opposing the resolution. And when the vote came, of the 197 standing for the resolution, 114 were Democrats, six even were Republicans and eleven were Progressives and four were Independent Republicans.

Hobson Opens General Debate. The debate on the rule had been a running desultory fire, but with consideration of the resolution itself the real heavy artillery was unleashed.

Mr. Hobson led off with an earnest and dramatic demand for its passage. Representatives Decker, Tribble, Lanzley, Logue and Bell (Cal.) made brief speeches in favor of the amendment.

Mr. Underwood then, speaking on the resolution directly, opposed it.

Action on Immigration Bill Delayed.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Postponement of action on the immigration bill pending in the senate until after the Christmas holidays was made certain when Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois, after a conference with President Wilson, gave notice that he would offer an amendment to strike from the measure the proposed literacy test for aliens.

The fate of the bill, it was declared by several Democratic senators, is in doubt as a result of President Wilson's opposition to the literacy test. In the opinion of its sponsors, striking out of this provision would mean defeat of the bill, because no substitute method of restriction has been agreed upon.

CONVICTS HELP FIGHT FIRE

Sixteen Hundred Prisoners at Joliet Obey Orders.

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 22.—"Boys, the prison is burning. Finish your dinners in a hurry and march to your cells." Warden Allen made this announcement before the 1,600 convicts at supper in the dining hall at the state penitentiary. A cheer greeted the warden's announcement.

A few minutes later as the convicts marched out double file they saw the prison furniture factory in flames. The fire was discovered as the last of the convict workmen left the shop. An hour later the building practically was destroyed, at an estimated loss of \$10,000. The Joliet motor fire trucks responded to the call from the prison and the trained convict fire squad of sixty men joined with the city fire force under Chief Cal. Horne. The convicts managed seven hose lines and confined the fire to the big raitan shop.

Steel Trust Not to Make General Cut.

New York, Dec. 22.—There will be no general reduction in wages by the United States Steel corporation at the present time, according to an announcement made by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the corporation, after a meeting of the corporation's finance committee. There will, however, be some readjustment in the pay of "skilled labor and piece work" on a lower basis.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Closing Quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Closing prices: Wheat—Dec., \$1.26½; May, \$1.29. Corn—Dec., 65c; May, 71½c. Oats—Dec., 48½c; May, 52½c. Pork—Jan., \$18.62½; May, \$19.12½c. Lard—Jan., \$19.40; May, \$19.60. Ribs—Jan., \$10.20; May, \$10.57½. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.24@1.27; No. 2 yellow corn, 65@65½c; No. 2 white oats, 48@49½c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000; strong; native steers, \$3.30@3.40; westerns, \$5@6; cows and heifers, \$3.10@3.15; calves, \$6@8.50. Hogs—Receipts, 35,000; firm; bulk of sales, \$7@7.15; light, \$6.80@7.20; heavy, \$6.85@7.25; rough, \$6.85@6.95; pigs, \$6.50@7.20. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; firm; sheep, \$5.10@6.10; yearlings, \$6.25@7.10; lambs, \$5@8.25.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,800; 10@20c higher; beef steers, \$6@9.75; cows and heifers, \$3.75@7; stockers and feeders, \$4@7.75; bulls, \$5@6.75; calves, \$7@9. Hogs—Receipts, 8,900; 5@10c higher; bulk of sales, \$7@7.10; top, \$7.15. Sheep—Receipts, 6,300; 10c higher; lambs, \$7.50@8.15; wethers, \$4.40@6.25; ewes, \$4.25@5.40.

ASSURES CHILD, IDOL EXISTS

Editor Explains Santa Claus' Presence to Skeptical Girl—"Is Love and Romance."

One of the most reprinted answers to the omnipresent query, "Is there a Santa?" and which perhaps explains better than any one has the presence of this child idol and what it signifies, is published herewith. It was written by an editor of the New York Sun back

The Democrat-Forum
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Entered as second class matter June 4, 1910, at the postoffice at Maryville, Mo., under the act of March 3, 1879.

PUBLISHED BY

MARYVILLE PUBLISHING CO.
(Incorporated.)

JAMES TODD.....Editors
W. C. VAN CLEVELAND.....Superintendent
WALTER S. TODD.....Superintendent

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.
Delivered in Maryville by carrier at 10 cents per week.

Largest Circulation in Nodaway County

In 1897:

A little girl asked the editor: "Is there a Santa?" And the editor wrote the following:

"We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun.

"Dear Editor: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say that there is no Santa Claus. Please tell me the truth—is there a Santa Claus?"

"VIRGINIA O'HANLON,
"115 West Ninety-fifth Street."

"Not believe in Santa Claus? You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.

Thank God, He Lives.

"The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and picture the unseen beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else so real as abiding.

"No Santa Claus? Thank God! he lives and he lives forever! A thousand years from now, Virginia, may ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of childhood.

Only Skeptics Doubt."

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to their highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there would be no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished."

Real Estate Transfers.

The following warranty deeds were filed in the office of the recorder of deeds for the week ending December 21:

Clarence Gosner to Andrew J. Roof et al, dated December 5, 1914, lot 5, block 21, Parnell, for \$750.

William E. Nicholas et al to Holmes Yates, dated March 19, 1914, undivided interest in W ½ NW sec 20, twp 65, rng 37, for \$9,454.54.

Sarah A. Berry to J. C. Spahr, dated December 15, 1914, lot 5, block 4, Downing place addition to Skidmore, for \$225.

New County Officer Ill.

Albert H. Cooper of Gaynor City, who was appointed county school superintendent Saturday to succeed W. M. Oakerson, resigned, will return to his home tomorrow, after being confined in Maryville since Sunday on account of illness. While here he has been visiting with his brother, F. O. Cooper, a Normal school student. He also will go to his Gaynor City home tomorrow.

Holds Social Tonight.

A box and pie supper and social will be held at the Mt. Hope school house tonight by Miss Lydia Carter, teacher. A program of music and speeches will precede the supper.

Marriage Licenses.

Claude A. Sewell, Graham... over 21
Lillie M. Gates, Maryville... over 18
Lawrence L. Henderson, Jameson... 30
L. Pearl Trotter, Jameson... 32

Mrs. H. B. Schuler will leave Saturday for Princeton to spend a few weeks visiting home folks.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

We Have The Merchandise AND Plenty of Sales People To Show It

No One in Our Employ Will Urge You to Buy

DEHART & HOLMES

Maryville's Live Jewelers

The Store That Is Satisfied With A Modest Profit

Grant City Educator Here.

W. R. Lowry, superintendent of the Grant City schools, is in Maryville today to visit friends and to transact business with W. M. Oakerson, county school superintendent. He will leave tonight or tomorrow for Elmo, where he and Mrs. Lowry will spend Christmas day with Mrs. Lowry's mother, Mrs. John Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Casteel of Ravenwood were shopping in Maryville yesterday.

TO PREVENT PNEUMONIA.

Preventive Medicine Department of the University of Missouri Gives Simple Hygienic Rules.

The person who makes a hothouse out of himself is the one who is apt to take pneumonia, which is so prevalent at this time of the year, says the preventive medicine department of the University of Missouri. Living in artificially heated rooms till all the resistance of the body is lowered is the poorest way to resist such a disease. Instead one should sleep in the open or in a room with the windows open and having no artificial heat. In addition

one should take a cold bath every morning, followed by a good hard rub.

Pneumonia, which is an inflammation of the lungs, is no respecter of persons. It is caused by a germ which is found in the saliva of many healthy persons at this time of the year, especially if they live in cities. These persons will take the disease any time that for any reason the vitality of the body is materially lessened. Such a weakening of the resisting power of the body is caused often by the use of alcoholic liquors or by any other abuse of the body. Overwork, mental worry, prolonged exposure to cold or impure air, exposure to noxious dusts and gases are other causes. The disease is contagious. It often occurs in prisons or other crowded places as an epidemic.

Prevention of pneumonia must come from the banishment of the causes of lowered resistance. Common sense must be used in caring for the body. Take as much exercise in the open air as possible. There is no danger from exposure to cold as long as it is not for any great length of time. Avoid overheating in the workroom or office, especially when it is accompanied with dryness of the air, as is usual with artificial heating. Sleep in the open or

if not in the open, in a room with the windows open, and where there is no artificial heat. Every morning one should take a cold bath lasting from one to three minutes. Start before the weather gets cold and you will find it easier, but anyone in good health can get accustomed to the cold water by using a sponge. Rules must be modified for very old or very young people or for those suffering from an organic disease. Indications of injury are blueness of the lips and the finger nails and failure to respond with a warm feeling to the rubdown afterward.

The symptoms of pneumonia are sharp pains in the chest, followed almost immediately by raising of blood. The patient should be put to bed in a well ventilated room and a physician should be called.

Pneumonia, instead of making the patient immune to future attacks, makes him more susceptible. Persons have been known to have nine or ten attacks. The rate of mortality is very high, from 20 to 40 per cent.

High grade Illinois Lump, Egg or Nut Coal, well forked. \$4.75 to \$5 per ton. Burlington track or delivered. Doll Reese, weigher. Wm. Everhart, d.

Coats Reduced half price

Our entire line of winter coats are now
selling at just one half the regular price

Remus

Third and Buchanan

Tomorrow is the Last Opportunity You will have to purchase

Christmas Presents

Many have purchased Electrical Appliances this year. Any of our many selections are appropriate and will cause the gift to be remembered with pleasure for years.

Come in and See

Maryville Electric Light & Power Co. Empire Theatre Building Hanamo 21

Practical Gift Suggestions for Christmas

for every member of the family. Read them

For Ladies

Table Linen in Sets	Crepe de Chine Scarfs
Napkins	Fancy Collars
Lunch Cloths	Fancy Silk Boudoir Caps
Scarfs	Silk Petticoats
Dollies	Knit Petticoats
Centerpieces	Wool Hosiery
Towels, large assortment	Silk Hosiery
Kid Gloves and Mittens	Fancy Linen Handkerchiefs
Bed Spreads	Auto Hoods
Rugs	Leather Hand Bags
House Slippers	Sweaters
Fancy Linen Aprons	Fancy Crib Blankets
White Silk Waists	Baby Sets
Fancy Box Stationery	Baby Booties
Fancy Silk Ribbons	Silk Scarfs

For Gentlemen

Gloves and Mittens	Handkerchiefs
Beautiful assortment Ties	Knit Mufflers
Hosiery	Sweaters
Caps	

We have a fine, large assortment of NUTS and CANDIES for our Holiday trade.

REMUS'

Corner Third and Buchanan

SOCIETY AND CLUBLAND

KATE SCHENCK
Phone—Office 42 Home 682

To Spend Christmas.

Mrs. Flora Quinn and family will go to Hopkins tomorrow evening, where they will be the guests at a Christmas dinner party given by Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Kirk.

Dinner Party at Brinks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brink will give a Christmas dinner at their home Friday noon, at which their guests will be Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Hosmer and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crow and son and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Honnold Belows.

Christmas Affair.

One of the holiday affairs of the week will be the Christmas party of the P. E. O. chapter, which will be given Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Allender, with Mrs. Allender and Mrs. John Richey hostesses.

Trotter-Henderson.

Miss L. Pearl Trotter and Lawrence L. Henderson, both of Jamison, were married at 7 o'clock this morning at the parsonage of the Buchanan Street Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. John H. Hubbard officiating. The newly weds returned at noon to Jamison.

Newly Weds Visiting Here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bilby of Catoosa, Okla., spent the day Tuesday with Mr. Bilby's uncle, H. L. Albright, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Bilby were recently married and are spending their honeymoon visiting relatives living in and near Maryville.

To Attend Family Reunion.

Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Dean and daughters will spend Christmas at Mound City with Mrs. Dean's mother, Mrs. John Steele. They will be joined by their daughter, Miss Dale Elizabeth Hoffman, who is teaching at Shenandoah, Ia. A reunion of the Steele family will be held on Christmas day.

Entertain Juniors.

Miss LaRue Kemp and Miss Hettie Anthony entertained the members of the Junior class of the Normal Monday evening at the home of Miss Kemp. Bells and Christmas greens were used in decorating, and the luncheon was carried out in red and white. Galloping dominoes furnished the diversion of the evening. About fifty guests were entertained.

Complimentary to Miss Baker.

Mrs. Edward Wolfert has issued invitations to guests for Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon of next week who are bidden to meet her niece, Miss Carrie Margaret Baker, a student at Northwestern university, Evanston, Ill., who is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Baker.

McKee-McClain.

Miss Lottie May McKee, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. McKee of Havensville, Kan., and Oren L. McClain were married at noon today, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. McClain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McClain, former residents of Maryville, who have been making their home at Havensville for several years.

Gates-Sewell.

Miss Lillie M. Gates, the daughter of Mrs. Minnie C. Gates of Maryville, and Claud A. Sewell of Graham were married at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the study of the First Baptist church, the Rev. Lewis M. Hale reading the marriage service. Mr. Sewell and his bride will spend the Christmas holidays visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sewell of Graham, and after the New Year will be at home on the Gates farm, a mile west of Maryville.

Christmas Shower.

The Humdrum club gratified a Christmas sentiment yesterday by sending to its first bride, Mrs. Clyde Hutton of Omaha, Neb., a Christmas

PRINCESS LOUISE.

Kaiser's Only Daughter
Alone Among the Women
War Strategists of Germany.



Photo by American Press Association.

shower. The members of the club relinquished all Christmas giving to each other that the shower gifts might be more exquisite. The entire chest of gifts was carried out in lavender and white. Mrs. Hutton was Miss Ruby Carnutt of this city, and her marriage to Mr. Hutton took place October 29. The wedding came very unexpectedly and the club girls postponed their bridal gifts until Christmas.

Luncheon for Mr. Neale.

Prof. M. G. Neale, head of the department of education of the Normal school, was the honored guest of a luncheon given today noon by the senior class of the school. The luncheon was served in the women's parlor and plates were laid for forty. The affair was arranged as a farewell for Mr. Neale, who leaves next week for Jefferson City to take a position in the state department of public schools.

Faculty Entertain Students.

The faculty of the Normal school entertained the entire student body and former students of the school with a Christmas party in the library rooms of the Normal last night. The decorations suggested the near approach of Christmas and the entertainment was in a similar sentiment. The first part of the evening was devoted to a program. Music was given by the Normal orchestra, Mrs. P. P. Robinson gave three solos, the Rev. Gilbert S. Cox sang two solos, and Prof. Harry Miller gave a couple of readings. Several chorus numbers were given by the Normal Glee club, and the serving of refreshments concluded the evening.

In Honor of Miss Crain.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crain, living near Barnard, entertained a number of the friends of their daughter, Alice, Friday evening to celebrate her sixteenth birthday anniversary. A musical pro-

Your Last Chance

SEE OUR WINDOWS
DeHart & Holmes

NOTICE

To Property Owners

Now is the time to have your curb boxes to water connections cleaned out, and covers put on in case of a sudden burst of pipes before the ground is frozen and save added unnecessary expense, and trouble. We do such work.

RYKES PLUMBING CO.
HANAMO 270

Gibson's Art--

Christmas Greeting Cards, Post Cards, Booklets, Seals and Calendars. Full line now on display

at

Crane's

Your Last Chance

If you have put off your Gift Buying until the Last Minute—
We will have Something of Interest in our Show Windows Tomorrow

SEE OUR WINDOWS

DeHart & Holmes, Maryville's Live Jewelers

FORSYTH'S

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL for WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

Fancy Dressed Turkey	22½c
Fancy Dressed Ducks	17½c
Fancy Dressed Geese	15c
Fancy Dressed Chickens	15c
Porter House and Loin Steaks	
extra fancy	22½c
Round Steaks	22½c
Prime Rib Roast	16c
Chuck Roast	16c
Boiled Meat	12½c
Pork Loin, roast or chops	17½c
Pork, Ham, Steak or Roast	17½c
Pork Shoulder Steak	15c
Pure Pork Sausage, our own make	15c
Oysters, the good kind, per quart	50c

Celery, lettuce, mince meats, nice bottled goods things to make your Christmas dinner a treat.

PHONE YOUR ORDER EARLY.

Buys the Best and Sells the Best.

FORSYTH'S

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Water Consumers Attention!

Water consumers are requested to come to the City Water Work's office, City Hall, and pay their water rent.

Owing to the company not being able to see each consumer personally, this request is made so that all collections will be made by the first of the year.

McCaffrey & Swords Grocers

We Wish all Our Friends
and Customers

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

FRIDAY BEING CHRISTMAS, THIS
STORE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Special Sale on Christmas Candies

Bulk Candies

Our bulk candies include Fruit, Cream, Fancy, Assorted, etc. We have a very large variety to select from. All pure and wholesome. All kinds of Peanut taffies at per lb. 10c



Box Candies

Our Box candies are just the thing for Christmas Gifts. We have them in any size you want. We will put up a box to order from 25c to \$10.00

CHOCOLATES

Our Chocolates have a reputation for purity and freshness, prices run from 20 to 60¢lb. You can buy any kind of Candy you want from us. Our Candies are fine and we have a whole store full.

New York Candy Kitchen

FOR THE BEST OF CANDIES

GUS J. ATHAN, PROPRIETOR



We want you to see many
of our excellent gifts.

KESSLER'S

5, 10 and 25c Store

Here is a Real Christmas Store. With gifts for every one. Our holiday display this year is brilliant.

Toys of every description, useful and practical gifts for the home, decorations for the Christmas tree.

Many other Christmas articles in fancy China and Glassware. Practical gifts galore.

In Candies we carry everything that you want, at 10, 15, 20¢ and 25¢ a pound. Special discount to teachers and churches on more than 20 pounds.

A Last Word--

THE ENTHUSIASM OF THE SEASON HAS STRUCK THIS STORE GOOD AND HARD THIS YEAR. But we were ready for it—expected it—in fact, knew it was bound to come.

THE WHOLE STORE VIBRATES WITH THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS. And no one can truthfully say that our display doesn't do the occasion full justice.

To that end we had planned and worked and bought. And now it's time to spread broadcast our invitation to call.

That you will be pleased we feel certain. You'll be sure to notice the completeness of stocks. We can with ease gratify your very wish.

There is something here for all. No member of family has been forgotten, and the amount you range from a few cents upward.

ENGRAVING FREE

Remember that articles BOUGHT OF US will be en- FREE OF ALL COST. This is a big offer—an offer made by but few stores which do the work as we do it. Engraving adds to the individuality of the gift, and makes it more valuable and more highly appreciated.

CRANE'S

Book and Jewelry Store

atre, Tonight

Will be given away to-night at the Fern. free p.m. Shakespeare's Winter's River, five acts.

A Fur Overcoat Good Buggy or Set of Harness

Would Make a Gift Unsurpassed in Practibility and Usefulness.

A fur overcoat would make one of the most practical gifts for yourself or the boy that you could think of.

We carry a line of high grade fur overcoats, wool robes, muff robes, horse blankets and lap robes. They have pleased many and are sure to please you.

Was there ever a boy in the whole world who wouldn't jump at the chance to get a good saddle or a buggy for Christmas? You should come in and let us show you what a fine Christmas present a saddle would make for the boy, or a buggy for the whole family.

Wadley Brothers

Centerville Lump Coal, well forked, \$4 per ton, delivered or at Burlington track. Doll Reese, weigher. Wm. Everhart.

JOPLIN WOMAN IS RESTORED BY WONDERFUL STOMACH REMEDY

Mrs. Hillman Took Treatment Two Years Ago—Has Been Well Ever Since.

Mrs. Ida Hillman of Joplin suffered from stomach ailments for twelve years. She followed the advice of several expert physicians and took a great deal of medicine. Two years ago she discovered Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy—and she has been well since. Mrs. Hillman took but a few doses. She writes:

"I suffered with stomach trouble almost twelve years. I tried many doctors, but received no help until, while in Cleveland, Ohio, I read your notice in a paper and concluded to try Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy. Since then I have felt like a new woman. I took only four bottles, but that was all that was needed to make me well. It has been almost two years

and I have had no return of my trouble."

Similar accounts of the remarkable results of the use of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy came from all parts of the country. It clears the digestive tract of mucoid accretions and poisonous matter. It brings swift relief to sufferers from stomach ailments, liver and intestinal disorders. Many declare it has saved them from operations; many are sure it has saved their lives.

We want all people who have chronic stomach trouble or constipation, no matter of how long standing, to try one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy—one dose will convince you. This is the medicine so many of our people have been taking with surprising results. The most thorough system cleanser ever sold. Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy is now sold here by Pearson's Pharmacy, and druggists everywhere.



Merrie Christmas

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the Day bring forth its share of Good Things of Life and Happiness and real Content. Above all, may it be a day spent among those you Love the Best and who Love you. May that which was unprofitable and unpleasant during the Nineteen Hundred Fourteen disappear with the old year, and may Good Health, Good Fortune and Happiness be your companions for 1915.

Nodaway Valley Bank
MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

WANTED

CHAPPA

May the Day of Good Things and Happiness be your companions for 1915.

From 4 to 20 years old. I will buy them from as good as grow. Want some extra big good pairs. Bring them in. I will be in Mary, December 28.

Forenoon, December 28.
Afternoon, December 28.
Forenoon, December 29.
Afternoon, December 29.

Now nuts, December 30.
Mary, December 31.

MARYVILLE

Andy Ford

100
Horses
and
Mares

Talk on Osteopathy Number 2

When at first Dr. Still unfurled the banner of Osteopathy at Baldwin, Kan., it was looked on with disfavor. People considered him insane and even his own brother tried to have him adjudged a person of unsound mind. Later on this same brother's eyes were opened and he studied Osteopathy. Dr. Still left Kansas in 1875 and moved to Kirksville, Mo., where he opened up an office for the practice of Osteopathy. He made trips to nearby towns. One of his visits was to Macon, Mo., where he found the children as well as many of the grown people of the little city suffering from an epidemic of bloody flux, which disease in many instances proved fatal. Dr. Still treated several hundred of those suffering from this malady, without losing a single case. Returning to Kirksville he found his services greatly in demand; so much so that he abandoned his occasional trips and located there permanently.

By this time people from everywhere had heard of the curative powers of the osteopathic science; and within a short time Dr. Still was treating patients from every state in the union. There were times when there were not enough side-track accommodations for the private cars of people who desired treatment from Dr. Still. So great were the demands for his services that he was unable to treat all who came to him for relief. It was then that he decided to teach his sons and a few others that they might assist him in caring for those who applied for treatment.

In 1892 The American School of Osteopathy was founded at Kirksville, Mo. Most of the first students were patients who had been cured of some malady by Dr. Still.

Today every subject that is taught by the best medical schools is taught by the osteopathic schools, except materia medica. Each school is well equipped with a hospital and laboratories which compare favorably with those of any school.

DR. E. J. CARLSON
Osteopathist.

307 N. Main street, Maryville Mo.
Phone 5570 Hanamo.

HEAVY FIGHTING ON BOTH FRONTS

Fierce Engagements Raging East and West.

ALLIES ON THE OFFENSIVE.

Muscovites Seem to Be Successful in Holding Back the Forces of the Teuton Confederates in Galicia and East Prussia.

London, Dec. 23.—Heavy fighting is taking place on both eastern and western fronts, but without producing any material change in the positions of the opposing armies.

In France and Belgium the allies' offensive is being pressed, and, while some ground has been gained at widely separated points, other attacks have been repulsed by the Germans from their strongly entrenched positions.

In the east most of the Germans north of the Vistula have retired across the East Prussian frontier before the onrush of the Russian forces. Fighting also continues in Galicia, but here, as along the East Prussian frontier, the Russians seem to have been successful in holding back the Austro-German forces.

CALLS SELF GERMAN SPY

Says He Was Promised \$10,000 to Enlist in Canadian Contingent.

Detroit, Dec. 23.—Confessing that he had intended to enlist in the Third Canadian contingent and to act as a spy for the German army, Anton Gaus, aged twenty-three, surrendered himself to the Canadian immigration officers and is held awaiting disposition by the military authorities.

Gaus told the immigration authorities that he arrived in the states about four years ago from Berlin, near where his father conducts a large merchandise establishment. He resided near Chicago until recently, when, urged by letters received from his father and others, he decided to join the Canadian troops.

The letters from his father promised him \$10,000 if he succeeded in enlisting with the Canadian forces and carrying out instructions. Gaus, in his statement, involves German consuls in this country. He says the idea of becoming a spy weighed upon his conscience, and he decided to confess to the Canadian authorities.

NIPPON HELP NOT WANTED

France Objects to Sending of Japanese Army to Europe.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Nicholas Hanotaux, former foreign minister, expresses what appears to be the prevailing view in France concerning the proposal that Japan send an army to the battlefields of Europe. M. Hanotaux takes the view that even though Japan send no more than 250,000 men, a force which would hardly be large enough to exert a decisive influence, it would always consider, in the event of a victory for the allies, that it had played an important part in winning the war. Although M. Hanotaux makes no allusion to the United States, it may be stated that the American viewpoint has been taken into consideration by the government.

Sheep In Wyoming Decreasing.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 23.—That sheep raising is rapidly declining as a Wyoming industry is shown by the annual report to the legislature of the state board of sheep commissioners. The report gives figures showing that there has been a decrease of more than 32 per cent in four years in the number of sheep assessed in the state, while in the same period the assessed valuation of sheep has decreased more than 37 per cent. In 1911 there were assessed in the state 2,335,473 sheep, while in 1914 there are assessed only 2,674,763 head, a decrease of 1,250,719 head.

Engineer Killed In Wreck.

Rock Springs, Wyo., Dec. 23.—At a point between a cut of heavy passenger train No. 12 and a freight train No. 25, Engineer Hagen of No. 12 was killed and Fireman Ruckle injured. Both men were victims of lawless. Three of the tourist cars, the mail and dynamo cars of the passenger train went into the ditch, but none of the occupants were injured.

Transylvania Hit By Mine.

New York, Dec. 23.—Recent reports that the Cunard liner Transylvania had a narrow escape from destruction by mines off the Irish coast are denied by line officials, who say that the ship passed through a storm, accompanied by loud thunder, which gave rise to an erroneous report that the vessel had struck a mine.

Arbitrators Adjourn to Jan. 4.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The western rail way wage arbitration proceedings were adjourned for the holidays after seasonal greetings had been expressed by Judge Fritchard, chairman of the board, and others. Adjournment was taken until Jan. 4.

61,000 Out of Work In Cleveland.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—A survey of the unemployed situation, completed by the council committee on labor, indicates 61,000 wage earners are out of work in Cleveland.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Dr. Edward Carlson

Osteopath Physician and Surgeon

Treats all Human Ailments

Office First Stairway North Linville

Hotel, Maryville, Missouri

HANAMO 5570

ADMIRAL FISKE

Startles the Nation by Pointing Out Defects In The United States Navy.



Photo by American Press Association.

SEND RUNAWAY ENGINE INTO CARRANZA TRAIN

Zapatistas Turn Loose Wild Locomotive Against Special.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The trip of General Carranza from Vera Cruz to the isthmus of Tehuantepec was interrupted by Zapatista forces, who captured Soledad and from there sent a wild locomotive into his approaching train. Neither Carranza nor any of his party was injured.

These facts were reported in a private dispatch from a point on the railroad on which Carranza was traveling. Officials of the Washington government placed full credence in the report, but declined to comment on it beyond saying that they had consular advice telling of Carranza's departure for the isthmus.

General Carranza, according to the private dispatch, returned to Vera Cruz after the incident at Soledad, and has now gone to Cordoba to inspect his troops. From Cordoba some of his officers say he will continue his journey to the isthmus, after which he will go to Merida, in the state of Yucatan.

Carranza officials here deny emphatically suggestions which have been current in Mexico City that Carranza intended to flee to the Central American country. They say the first chief planned his trip to the isthmus shortly after the railway in that part of Mexico was taken over by the Carranza faction.

POPE TO MAKE PEACE APPEAL

Will Give Solemn Audience to Sacred College and State Plans.

Rome, Dec. 23.—It is stated from an authoritative source that the pope will give a solemn audience to the sacred college on Christmas eve, when he will deliver a most important allocution about the war and his efforts to hasten peace.

The pontiff will announce that he intends to make another appeal to the sovereigns and chiefs of state in favor of peace. The pope will also give an audience to the diplomatic corps at the Vatican and will again urge the restoration of peace.

Scores Are Injured In St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—Several score persons were injured, many of them seriously, more than a score of horses were killed and traffic was demoralized in all sections of the city as the result of the slippery condition of the streets following a sheet storm. In East St. Louis a sled collided with a fire engine and its occupants narrowly escaped death. The hospitals were busy mending broken arms, legs and skulls.

GERMAN FLIER DROPS BOMBS ON DOVER

Berlin, Dec. 23.—The official press bureau says: "The German aviator, Lieutenant Stephen von Prondzynski, flew over Dover, threw bombs and reconnoitered the position of the British fleet."

"Russian court-martials in Poland have hanged numerous Jews."

"At Sunderland (England) the populace destroyed German shops. The police made no arrests."

"Lisbon reports that twenty-five members of the Portuguese Unionist party have given up their seats as a protest against the war."

F. E. ANTHONY M. D.

Specialist.

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

Office hours 9 to 11 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m.

CHARLES E. STILWELL,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR

AT LAW.

Office over Maryville National bank,

Maryville, Mo.

PREMIER SAYS FATE OF WORLD AT STAKE

Declares France Will Fight Until Europe Is Regenerated.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Premier Viviani, stating the views of the government concerning the war to the chamber of deputies, said:

"France, acting in accord with its allies, will not sheathe its arms until after taking vengeance for outraged right; until it has united for all time to the French fatherland the provinces ravished from it by force; restored heroic Belgium to the ruin of its material life and its political independence, and until Prussian militarism has been crushed to the end that it be possible to reconstruct on a basis of justice, a Europe regenerated."

"If this contest is the most gigantic ever recorded in history, it is not because the people are hurling themselves into warfare to conquer territory, to win enlargement of material life and economic and political advantages, but because they are struggling to determine the fate of the world."

"Against barbarity and despotism, against the system of provocation and methodical menaces which Germany called peace; against the system of murder and pillage which Germany called war; against the insolent hegemony of a military caste which loosed the scourge, France the emancipator, France the vengeful, at the side of its allies, arose and advanced to the fray."

"That is the stake. It is greater than our lives. Let us continue then to have but one united soul and tomorrow in the peace of victory we shall recall with pride the days of tragedy, for they will have made of us more valorous and better men."

Former Senator West Dies Suddenly. Yulanda, Ga., Dec. 23.—Former United States Senator William West was found dead in bed at his home here. He had retired apparently in good health. Physicians stated that death apparently was due to apoplexy.

GERMAN COLUMN DRIVEN OVER LINE

Petrograd, Dec. 23.—The heavy German column which has been driven across the East Prussian frontier from Mlawka, Russian Poland, by the Russians is spreading out to the east and west, according to reports received here from the front. The purpose of the German movement is to debouch to the right of the entrenched Mazur lake position and to reinforce the troops in the vicinity of Thorn for protection against the continued Russian advance on the Thorn-Allenstein-Interberg railroad, which is the main strategic line paralleling the north Polish frontier.

The Russian successes here not only threaten the right of the German Mazur lake position, but also threaten the left wing of the army operating before Warsaw.

The Pioneer Gazette calls attention to the shifting of the weight of German troops from Belgium to the Polish front, but the newspaper is of the opinion that this action means a lightning of the task of the allies, since the withdrawals of Germans from the western battle front are from parts of the line where elaborate entrenchments withhold the allies.

Flowers For Christmas

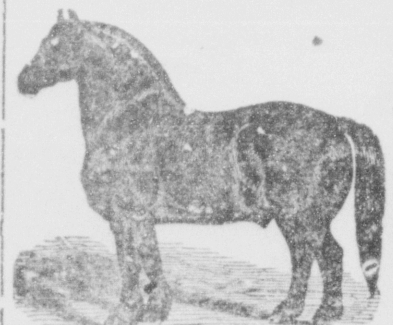
Roses
Carnation
Lillies of the Valley
Narcissus
Poinsettias, etc.,
Beautiful Bloomy Cyclamen, Azaleas, Begonias, Ferns, etc.,
Christmas Wreaths and decorations of all kinds.

All orders carefully packed and delivered promptly. Telephone or write us if not able to call

The Engelmann Greenhouses

1001 S. MAIN ST. PHONE 17

War Horses Wanted



Will be at Gray's Sale Pavilion Every Saturday

Want horses 5 to 12 years old, 15 to 16 hands high and weighing from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds. Must have good bone and middles. They may be plain in quality and with just fair flesh. Any color except light grays. Now is the time to get rid of your surplus work horses. No leggy or light boned horses wanted.

Chas. H. Roach

DEMOCRAT FORUM

WANT ADS

For Results. For Results.

Classified ads running three days or more one-half cent per word for each insertion; minimum rate 25c for three days. Interruptions 1 cent a word for each insertion.

For Rent.

FOR RENT—A five room house close in. Call Farmers phone 62.

FOR RENT OR SALE—Modern 10-room house. Phone 4377 Hanamo. Mrs. E. W. Byers. 22-1f

FOR RENT—Furnished room, three blocks from square. 110 South Fillmore. 10-1f

FOR RENT—Property on North Main street. See Martin Lewis. 17-1f

For Sale.

FOR SALE—Plymouth Rock cockerels, 80c apiece, all nice ones. Mrs. T. E. Hall, Farmers phone 513, 4 miles west of Maryville. 13-24

WOOD FOR SALE—All dry ash, hickory and oak, \$3.00 and \$4.00 for full guaranteed cord. Other wood \$1.00 load. Will deliver. Native lumber for sale. Saunders Bros., Hanamo phone 3698. 14-1f

FOR SALE—Car of Swift's digester tankage. At Burlington tracks. Prices right. See us before you buy. Childress & Co. 2-1f

FOR SALE—White Orpington cockerels, English strain. W. A. Rhodes, phone Ravenwood. 12-10

FOR SALE—60 acres well improved, 2 1/2 miles S. E. Arkoe. For price and terms see owner on premises. M. A. LOGAN, Barnard R. 3. 12-1mo.

KINDLING WOOD for sale. Route 3, phone 4X. Frank Martin. 17-23

Car of upland prairie hay at track at \$12.00 per ton. 22-24 GLOVER & ALEXANDER.

FOR SALE—Furniture; bedstead, chairs, etc. 222 S. Fillmore. Phone 309.

Miscellaneous.

WOOD—Sawed oak wood, \$5 a cord delivered, and coal. Phone 6229. Partridge & McLean. 4-31

Get your shoes shined and trousers pressed at London Pantatorium. Work guaranteed. 30tf.

STRAYED—From the Gallatin Craig farm 3 1/2 miles northeast of Maryville a red or roan yearling steer. Please phone any information. Farmers phone 7-12. ALBERT APPELEY.

SANITARY ENGINEERING requires experienced mechanics and good materials. Our appliances and "knowing how" insure satisfaction. Standards Plumbing Co.

FRESH OYSTERS—Direct from the coast. 20 cents the pint.—ANDREWS and Hempstead. 10tf.

NEW BARBER SHOP—W. H. Warden, who runs the barber shop under the Nodaway Valley bank, has started a shop in Ream hotel, and will be glad to see his old customers as well as new ones. My prices from now on will be: Children's hair cut, 15c. W. H. Warden, Prop. 19-25

LOST—Small white dog, wearing leather collar. Call E. P. Meadows, Hopkins. Mutual phone. 21-23

LOST—Stick pin, brown setting, small pearl, safety on end. Return to Democrat-Forum. 22-25

The Best Book of The Year

When you stop to think about it, doesn't your Bank Book tell much of the story of your own life? You, who can read between its lines and analyze its figures, know the labor and sacrifice represented by each dollar deposited. Every entry is the happy ending of a thrilling chapter. Make your book grow—it is recording your history and telling the story of your success. If you have no Bank Book, bring in your deposit and get one.

Farmers Trust Company

"HOME OF SAVINGS"
Maryville, Missouri